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Applicant:	Firmin Garcia et al.) PATENT APPLICATION
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For: A FIXING DEVICE AND A)
DISPENSER USING SUCH A FIXING DEVICE)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment before examining the application and calculating the filing fee.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 1, delete "2, or 3,".

Claim 6, line 1, delete "any preceding" and after "claim" insert --1--.

Claim 7, line 1, delete "any preceding" and after "claim" insert --1--.

Claim 10, line 1, delete " or 9,".

Claim 11, line 1, delete "9, or 10,".

Claim 12, line 1, delete "any one of claims 8 to 11" and insert --claim 8--.

Claim 13, line 1, delete "any one of claims 8 to 12" and insert --claim 8--.

Claim 14, line 1, delete "any preceding" and insert --claim 8--.

Respectfully submitted,

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